



Biography

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Major General Willie B. Nance, Jr., is the National Missile Defense Program Executive Officer and System Program Director for the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, Department of Defense, Pentagon, Washington D.C. In this position, he is responsible for executing the development and deployment of the National Missile Defense system.

He entered the Army in 1968 as a member of the Mississippi All-Volunteer Company, graduated from Officer Candidate School in 1969, and served for 13 years as an infantry officer until branch-transferred to the Ordnance Corps in 1981.

His extensive acquisition assignments include Deputy Commanding General of the Army Space and Strategic Defense Command (SS-DC); Project Manager for the Army TACMS-BAT Project Office; Professor of Systems Acquisition Management at the Defense Systems Management College; Product Manager for the Bradley Fighting Vehicle TOW2 Subsystem; Department of the Army System Coordinator for the Advanced Anti-Armor Weapon System - Heavy, Advanced Anti-Armor Weapon System - Medium, and International Anti-Armor Systems and Chief of the Surface-to-Surface Team in the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Research, Development, and Acquisition; and Logistics Staff Officer and Assistant Project Manager in the TOW Project Office. Prior to his current assignment, MG Nance was the Program Executive Officer for Tactical Missiles at Redstone Arsenal.

MG Nance has earned undergraduate and graduate degrees in Business Administration from the University of Southern Mississippi and the Florida Institute of Technology. He is a graduate of the U.S. Army Infantry Officer Advanced Course, the Army Command and General Staff College, the Defense Systems Management College, and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

MG Nance's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit with one oak leaf cluster, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Army Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Army Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters, Parachutist Badge, Ranger Tab, Army General Staff Identification Badge, and Secretary of Defense Staff Identification Badge.



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